



**PARADE DATE: Monday, Dec 3, 2018**

**Application deadline: Nov 9, 2018**

No exceptions, please!

**RAIN DATE: Monday, Dec 10, 2018**

*Any cancellation will be announced after 12 Noon on radio stations WKRM AM 1340, and WKOM FM 101.7.*

- 5 p.m. Parade line-up begins—Both judged & non-judged entrants must be in place by 6 p.m.**
- 6 p.m. Parade staging area to be secured with not further access permitted. Judging begins.**
- 7 p.m. Parade begins with promenade to Public Square.**

**Preliminary operational plan -**

The Columbia Police Dept. will block W. 7<sup>th</sup> St. at the Trotwood split and at James Campbell Blvd. at 4:45 p.m. & will allow passage to only pedestrians, floats, & vehicles bearing official lineup #'s. *All floats/vehicles are to enter the W. 7<sup>th</sup> St. line-up area at James Campbell Blvd.* Participants joining an entry may approach the line-up area via side streets: Bullock, Terrace, Mitchell, or Blackburn Lane, and must walk from that point to their line-up position. No vehicles other than law enforcement & registered parade entries will be allowed on W. 7<sup>th</sup> St. Drivers dropping off participants must plan accordingly. No unauthorized vehicles will be allowed access to the parade line-up area. Thank you for your cooperation.

Your parade line-up # will be mailed on or before Nov 19, 2018. Corresponding line-up #'s will be staked within the W. 7<sup>th</sup> St. line-up area the morning of the parade.

Marching bands will be notified of their line-up/staging location on or before Nov 19, 2018.

All entrants are to remain along the sidewalk side of W. 7<sup>th</sup> St. throughout the line-up process. The opposite lane & non sidewalk side of W. 7<sup>th</sup> St. must remain void of vehicles & pedestrians by order of the Columbia Police Dept! Offenders are subject to citation.

All entrants (judged & non-judged) must be in place by 6 p.m. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

The parade will begin at 7 p.m. & will travel along W. 7<sup>th</sup> St. to the south side of Public Square. The parade must move continuously with no stopping. Upon approaching the Courthouse, odd numbered entrants will exit at S. Main St. and even numbered entrants will exit at E. 7<sup>th</sup> St. Entrants are not to stop upon arrival at the Courthouse!

Entrants are to schedule participant pick-up in advance. Parking lots located at S. Main & 8<sup>th</sup> St., at Public Sq. & Woodland St., and at 6<sup>th</sup> St. may be used for pick-up. No youth participants are to be left unattended at any time.

**Reminders for the Main Street Christmas Parade:**

The Columbia Police Dept. and the official parade line-up staff will govern parade activities.

Line-up #'s are to be displayed in a conspicuous place on each side of entry.

Entries are to be decorated with a holiday motif and where appropriate, include holiday music and lights. Only appropriate holiday music is allowed.

Judged winners will be announced and notified the day following the parade.

No throwing of candy or other items will be allowed.

No jumping on or off floats while in motion.

Motorcycles and vehicles must have an adequate muffler in constant operation and properly maintained to prevent any excessive or unusual noise.

Maintain a slow, steady pace along the parade route, proceeding in a forward direction at all times.

No stopping for performances will be allowed.

No consumption of alcohol is allowed.

Only pre-approved animal entries will be allowed.

Exercise extreme caution at all times, especially in the use of generators.

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